

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace pending claims 42 and 43 with the following amended versions:

42. (Twice Amended) A gel according to claim 41, wherein the pigments are chosen from titanium, zirconium and cerium dioxides; zinc, iron and chromium oxides; nanotitaniums; ferric blue; carbon black; calcium salts of acidic dyes; barium salts of acidic dyes; aluminium salts of acidic dyes; zirconium salts of acidic dyes; pigments coated with silicone compounds; pigments coated with polymers; pigments coated with fluorinated compounds; and mixtures thereof.

43. (Twice Amended) A gel according to claim 42, wherein the salts of acidic dyes are chosen from the salts of halo-acid dyes, salts of azo dyes, and salts of anthraquinone dyes.

Remarks

Claims 1 and 26-88 are pending in this application. Claims 42 and 43 have been amended to more particularly point out and distinctly claim that which Applicant considers to be her invention. Support for each of the amended claims can be found in the specification and claims of the original application as filed. Accordingly, no new matter has been added.

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